

CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1.
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP

Should Be More Spiritual and the Members Should Attend Regularly.

Every Available Means of Grace Should be Utilized.

When the apostle wrote that the saints should not forsake the assembling of themselves together, he certainly did not mean for them to meet together and spend their time in gossiping, or pass the time in idleness. He must have had something higher and better in his mind.

It is easy now to see the reason he said, "And so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." There are so many influences to attract from spirituality that it is specially necessary in these last days to get together often for mutual benefit. Get together to assist one another in our spiritual life. Get together to worship God, and receive spiritual blessings from Him.

Jesus teaches that "the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth," then the meetings for worship should be more spiritual, and the members should attend regularly. Jesus further says, "For the Father seeketh such to worship Him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."

The meetings for worship must be spiritual to accomplish God's will. And this does not mean intellectual, or mental, it is a step beyond the intellect. The intellect is necessary and has its part in it, but in order to worship God acceptably we must get over into the spiritual. Not the natural only, but over into the supernatural.

It is not a difficult matter to fall short of the spiritual and drop back into the intellectual. This very thing has been the downfall of many honest and sincere souls. Many have never known any worship beyond the intellectual. They love entertainment, and feast their minds on eloquence and rhetorical phraseology. We do not object to such as this, but this alone is not the true worship of God.

Many congregations, no doubt, have been killed spiritually, by the use of the intellect in the absence of the

spiritual, for Paul tells us that "the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life." He himself acknowledged that God had made him, with others, "able ministers of the New Testament," but for fear some would misunderstand him he added, not of the letter but of the spirit.

Paul knew how to divide the Word; he knew how to preach intellectual sermons, but he knew better than to rely on his intellect alone, for he knew this would have a tendency to lull to sleep instead of give spiritual life. He wanted people to be full of spiritual life, and be able to worship the Lord in spirit and in truth.

In his first letter to the Corinthians he says his "preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom." He did not make a display of his intellectual power when he declared unto them the testimony of God, because he did not want the people to get their faith in eloquence and logic. He wanted them to get their faith in the power of God. Therefore, he was careful to do his preaching "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power."

It is possible then for the preacher to be so carried away in the Spirit that he will take his congregation beyond the intellectual over into the spiritual. This should be the object of every preacher. No one can do better than to follow after Paul on this line. And the preacher that follows Paul's example will have a spiritual congregation. If he depends on his intellect alone, and expects to win by logic and a proper or nice use of words he will soon be ready for a funeral sermon, for his congregation will soon be dead spiritually.

The preaching should be a part of the worship, but if it is all intellect and no Spirit it will not be a worship that satisfies God, for He seeks those to worship Him that worship Him in spirit and in truth. Paul further says,

"We * * * worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh." Phil. 3:3.

Again I wish to say that our meetings for worship should be more spiritual. I do not say that they are not spiritual, but I insist that they should be more spiritual. The spirituality that now exists should be intensified. There should be such a state of spirituality that every one present will feel it. That even those who make no profession of religion will be affected or drawn toward the blessed Christ to obtain salvation.

I am afraid some of our regular services are not as spiritual as they were a few years ago. I wonder why this should be the case. If this is true the cause should be found and removed for if there ever was a time when we need to be close to God and have powerful spiritual services it is certainly now in these days of perplexity and trouble in the world. And members should

psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord." There is true worship described. There is true devotion to God realized.

Then when we become thus exceeding spiritual, what follows will not seem so mysterious. It will be easier for us thank God for all things and glory in tribulations also. And much of the trouble that now exists between brethren will be averted because the next verse will be made real in our lives. "Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God." Eph. 5:21.

This excessive spirituality described by Paul, will be a sure cure for many of the ills that try to infest the brethren, and in some instances break in so abruptly as to cause a discord among close friends and loved ones. The deeper spiritual a congregation is, the less disturbances and conflicts there will be. When spirituality begins to wane, troubles between members

ister that is compelled to do manual labor six days in the week cannot have deep spiritual services on Sunday. If the congregation compels him to earn his support, by withholding their means from him, they should not complain because of the little spiritual food they get from him on Sunday.

On the other hand the minister has no right to draw his support from the church and idle away his time during the week in conversation, in sleeping, in what is often mentioned as "recreation." He needs to be on his knees before God in earnest, humble, agonizing prayer a good deal of the time. I have known the spirituality of meetings to be destroyed by too much preaching, too much time spent in intellectual preparation, but I never knew the spirituality to be weakened by too much prayer. If a minister will pray down his sermons instead of studying them up, he will have a greater shower of spiritual rain on Sunday.

The most successful min-

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attend regularly. But probably if the meetings were more intensely spiritual, more of the members would attend. And on the other hand, if more of the members would make it a regular business to attend the services, probably the services would be more spiritual and more interesting and attractive. Every available means of grace should be utilized, because it is going to take the very best to pass through the pearly gates of glory and have a right to the tree of life that awaits the overcomer.

I'm sure there are spiritual realms awaiting those who persevere in that direction that we never have yet discovered. The apostle Paul describes a realm of spirituals that is worthy of consideration. After he admonishes the brethren to "Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit, Eph. 5:18, he follows by showing some of the results of such an excessive Spirit filled life. He says, "Speaking to yourselves in

will show themselves in proportion. The lack of spirituality is the cause of short, hard, harsh, pricking, hurtful words being spoken. Deep spirituality is the oil that makes everything run smoothly. Without it there will be more or less friction.

Most of the ministers would love to have the meetings more spiritual. No doubt most of the members desire the same.

Then just how to obtain the results we desire on this line is of no little importance. A close study of this subject should be of vast interest to every lover of God and the salvation of the lost. Everything that will serve as a means to this end should be brought into action. No time, no effort, no sacrifice or expense should be considered too much if only these spiritual heights can be reached.

The main road that leads to our ideal of spiritual services is prayer. No prayer, no spirituality. Much prayer, much spirituality. The min-

isters in all the ages have been those who spent the most time on their knees in their closets. After tarrying before the Lord for hours in earnest prayer they would come out with the heavenly fire burning in their souls so they could fire their congregations with heavenly love and glory. This kind of a preacher scarcely ever has to preach to empty pews. When people go away from the services conducted by this kind of a minister they scarcely ever say, "What a fine sermon our minister gave us today!" But their souls have been bathed with such heavenly glory that they are more apt to say, "What a wonderful God we are serving!"

If I can succeed in stirring up our ministers more to secret prayer I will feel that this article will not be a complete failure. The more prayer the less local disturbances, and the fewer members will have to be dismissed for disorderly conduct.

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Eldorado, Ill.

To the Church of God Evangel, Its Beloved Editor and Many Dear Readers—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name.

As the dear Lord gave such blessed peace and victory in our Sunday school I feel like giving the report to the paper if the editor sees fit to give it space.

July 16 was our first real Sunday school since our organization by brother Payne.

Report as given by our secretary, brother McGuire: Eight classes, eight teachers, two officers, the pastor, eight visitors. Total attendance 173; offerings from classes \$4.07.

Besides this the future insures a good growth.

Who would doubt God?

We had 45 minutes for instructing classes. We found so much love and humility that when Supt. Wilson rang the bell it seemed like just in the midst of the flow of the Spirit.

After a short address of encouraging remarks we adjourned for a short time. Then we had a good juicy message from our pastor, brother Barnett.

Well praise God, the people are learning that without the government of the church, pentecost is really isolated, or in other words, as machine out of gear.

Finally, brethren pray for us.

Your brother in Christ,
J. C. Crawford.

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Groveland, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints:

I am praising God for victory in my soul and for the Holy Ghost that abides. I have not been to church in about three months but I am still clinging closer to Jesus and have a deep determination to hold out to the end.

I would be glad for a Church of God preacher to come here with a tent, one who has grace and backbone enough to war with the devil. There are quite a number of people here. We have a large pine saw mill, a cypress mill, a tar still and lots of folks in the country.

These folks have never heard a Church of God preacher and several of them want a Church of God preacher to come here. I feel like a good preacher would do some good here. It seems that preachers are afraid to stop here because there are so many devilshere and because there is no church here. My wife and myself are the only Church of God members here. I am trying with all my might to hold Jesus up.

If any body that belongs to the Church of God wants to come here, write me and I will do all I can. I would like to see some good preacher come at once for souls are dying for want of the true gospel. Come, come, come.

Your brother in Jesus,
J. H. Hatcher.

Bight, Long Island, Bahamas.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greeting in Jesus' Dear Name:

I want to sound a note of praise to my dear Redeemer.

Three years ago Jesus, in His great mercy, saved my soul, and I thank God that I am still saved and determined by the grace of God to follow Him all the way. I haven't had the least idea of looking back since I started to do God's precious will, for the light shines brighter and brighter on my pathway each day. I am so glad I have found the church Jesus told Peter He would build upon the Rock and I know the gates of hell can never prevail against the dear old Church of God. I am glad I can trust Jesus to heal my body.

I haven't received the Holy Ghost yet but I know the promises of Jesus are true and He said it is for you and your children and those that are afar off, and even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

Please pray for wife and

me that we may receive the Holy Ghost. We have only one little boy and we want to bring him up in the fear of the Lord.

May God bless all the dear saints and may we all grow in grace and get closer to Jesus and deeper in His love that we may be with Him in glory.

Your brother watching and waiting for His coming,
Winfield S. Pinder.

Garrett, Ky.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I am so glad there is so great a salvation that can save the vilest of sinners.

Last February under the preaching of brother Slater Hickman, myself and two of my daughters were saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. We trust God for our healing. He healed my little daughter of pneumonia last February.

I was in a wonderful healing service last night. The doctors said sister Smith had inflammation of the bowels and there was no hope for her life but she called for the elders of the church and they prayed and anointed her with oil and today she is helping do her work. Pray for her husband that he may be saved.

We have a little band of sanctified people here who are seeking for the Holy Ghost.

We feel the harvest is great but laborers are few and we want some good pentecostal preacher to come here. This is a beautiful little town and plenty of work to do and they are needing men here to work but the true gospel is needed more than anything else.

Dora Easterling.

Pleasant Hill, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am a child of God, saved, sanctified and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. I could not get along without the great Comforter. I was the first at this place to receive the Holy Ghost. I had read my Bible so much that when I heard holiness and saw some of the people I knew that they had something I did not have but praise the Lord, it was something I expected to have or died in the attempt. Glory to God, He did not cast me away; when I cried and prayed He heard me and gave me the great blessing.

I want to ask each saint of God to pray that I may be healed of catarrh. Also pray that husband may be saved and accept this beautiful

way. I do not belong to the dear old Church of God but that is my desire I believe every one that can should join the church and be in one body. I know this is a narrow way but it leads unto life eternal. Let us all press on and we will gain a home that far exceeds this old world.

I pray that God will cause His power to be made known throughout the world and cause people to see that the power cometh from Him. I am determined to live right and by God's help do all He wants me to do.

One of God's humble servants,

Laura Bryant.

Dora, Ala.

I praise the Lord for keeping me by His love and power and for the way He is revealing Himself to His children. The Lord is so good to us here as we march up the shining way. We are finding refuge in Jesus and we are preparing for Him by getting on the robe of righteousness.

Pray that I may be humble and true.

Your brother,
Whit Alford.

Branford, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God because I am one of His children. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

Pray for me that I may stand true.

Your brother in Jesus,
M. T. Tompkins.

Harriman, Tenn.

Dear Saints:

I am praising God for this wonderful salvation which I received about two years ago and I am not tired of the way. The way grows brighter day by day.

The promise is not to them that start and turn back but to those who endure to the end. I have started and I expect to go through.

Pray for me.

Your sister in Christ,
Berta Hendrich.

Garrett, Ky.

Dear Brothers and Sisters—Greeting in Jesus' Name:

I am only twelve year old but the Lord has saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost. Mamma and one of my sisters are saved but papa is unsaved and I want you to pray that he may be saved before it is too late.

Your sister in Christ,
Ada Easterly.

Subscriptions for Assembly Building.

By order of the Assembly the names of those who pledged to pay into the building fund appear below. As the amounts are paid the names will be discontinued as a receipt for same.

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Through All We Shall Have Glorious Victory, if We
Are Faithful.

Sam C. Perry.

The common lot of all the members of the body of Christ is to suffer trials, tribulations, persecutions, and hardships. Jesus and his apostles and all the prophets have gone this way. If we are among the members of the true vine we shall not hope to get through without suffering these things. In the Master's service there are no snags and easy places. The Lord never said there was, but he said "in the world ye shall have tribulation." St. Paul declared the same truth, and in all of their service the apostles found it to be so. This is as truly the portion of God's children as joy is theirs. In counting up the inheritance of his followers, he adds "with persecutions."

Jesus himself suffered a most fearful "contradiction of sinners" (Heb. 12:3.), and only the power of God protected and kept him until his work on earth was completed, when he was finally given into the hands of sinful men to be crucified, and with the Master of the house treated thus by the rulers of earth may we expect to be free from trials and hardships while the same spirit is ruling the earth and its society?

The disciples of Jesus were ever hunted and persecuted as heretics, imposters and traitors, and even when they had the greatest manifestation of God's power and presence in their ministry, and the greatest evidence of God's favor upon their life, they seemed to receive the greater opposition and hatred from the world, thus proving that the more we please God the more we displease the world, which is not of God.

But amid all the bitter and trying experiences we have in this world we hear Jesus say "blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake, rejoice and be exceeding glad." Matt. 5:11-12. Let us notice the expression "for my sake." We get no reward for the persecutions we endure on account of our mistakes and ignorance and imperfections, but all that come upon us for being, speaking or acting Christ-like will result in reward and blessing to us, if

through them all we keep humble patient and victorious.

These trials and hardships are sent in love and for a blessing if we could only see it. But if we whine and find fault about our hard lot and why things are as they are and wish our lot had been different, and that this had not come and that had never been we will certainly displease the Master and miss His highest and best for us. Our Master, we read, was made perfect through suffering. Then shall we not accept perfection through the same route, and with the same instrument as our Master before us? This route is Calvary, the instrument is the cross. Will you bear the cross and follow Him? There is no other way.

Saint Paul declared "I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in us." This is our time of humiliation and suffering, but at the end of the way is our glorification, when Jesus shall come to be admired in all them that believe in that day. Let us be faithful, for with the Lamb shall stand the called, chosen and faithful.

Natural Bridge, Ala.

To the Saints Scattered Abroad:—Greetings in Jesus' dear name.

At the close of brother Gentry's meeting at Alabama City the Lord divided His band with us giving us dear brother Robert Denson and wife and brother Otis McCoy. Brother Denson and wife are good workers and brother Otis McCoy is at the organ. We are a little happy band of five.

We left Alabama City, for Dora, Ala. We arrived there about five and at seven thirty we met a crowd of dear saints to whom we gave out the Word. We had a good feast together.

Next day we left Dora and stopped at Cordova where we met some of our old friends and our dear sister and family. We went to the place of meeting and found the people sitting on the grass under the trees, with a barrel for a pulpit. This made us think of the time when

the people followed Jesus out to the hill side and they sat down and listened. Several gave their hands for prayer; then we knelt and wife prayed the farewell prayer.

We then came to Natural Bridge and went to the home of brother and sister Creel where we were given a warm welcome. At night we went to the public school house where we met a good congregation. The first night we preached to lay the Bible foundation for a revival, using the Scriptures 2 Chro. 7 12-15 and Acts 3:19. We then gave opportunity for all who wanted a revival in Natural Bridge to come and give their hands and several came forward. We are expecting the Lord to give us many souls here and also to establish His church in this place.

We go from here to Helicon, Ala., about the fifth Saturday in this month.

Pray that the Lord may bless at this place. Anyone wishing to write us, address to this place.

Yours in the battle for God and lost souls,

J. W. Buckalew.
and Workers.

Summerville, Ga.

Dear Evangel Family:

Should we give medical aid to unbelievers?

Why not read our Bible to them and tell them that Jesus can heal them and offer a prayer for them. If they refuse to obey God's word should we dope them with medicine and remedies when God said in Jer. 33:6, "Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth."

We can't find where the early disciples recommended medical aid to unbelievers. Read acts 3:2-6 and James 5:13-16. How can we preach and testify to divine healing and when our friends and loved ones get sick use filthy remedies on them. They have the same privileges we have, why not do all we can according to the Bible.

We must bare persecutions for Jesus' sake. We can love the people and hold to the dear Word of God. Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil. We can't partake of God's table and the devil's also. God help us to separate ourselves from these things of the world and hold up Jesus at all times.

May the dear Lord bless the great Church of God.

Your sister in Him,

Vesta Games.

REPORT

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Enclosed please find ten cents, and I am asking you to let me suggest through the Evangel that each and every one that has a report or testimony to publish to send ten cents with it, and by that we may enlarge the paper.

The dear Lord has blessed our efforts in Louisiana. After getting the honorable appointment of overseer of the state of South Carolina, I received a message from Louisiana, with the money for Ry. fare for myself and daughter to come and pray for a dear sister that was almost dead with tuberculosis, and the dear Lord answered prayer and raised her up. She went to the service Sunday and drove more than four miles over rough roads. Praise God, it is wonderful what dear Jesus will do for those that believe on Him.

The saints were anxiously watching for us and as we would preach the people would listen spell-bound.

There were several saved, some healed, eleven followed the Lord in water baptism and thirteen came into the Church of God. We administered the Lord's supper and feet washing on Sunday night. We bade the people good-bye and were off for South Carolina.

I hope the Lord will impress some good Church of God preacher who is full of the Holy Ghost to go to Dunns, La., and hold meetings. This is a good field for a good preacher and the people will treat you right. The church there is twenty-two strong now and there are more to come. Anyone wanting information may write to Dewit Anderson, Dunn's La.

Your humble brother and sister,

W. A. Capshaw
and Daughter.

Landing, Miss.

To God's Dear Children Every where:—Greetings in Jesus' name.

I praise the Lord for victory in my soul and for His love to the children of men.

The Lord is still blessing here at this place. Souls are being added unto the Lord.

I know the Lord has some dear children here. While there isn't perfect unity, we are striving to keep the unity of the Spirit until we can see eye to eye as God's children will do if we are led by the Spirit.

A short while ago on Sunday night at a cottage meeting on the bank of Sunflow-

et river, an assembly of saints and sinners were gathered for service. The meeting was on a long porch, the yard was full and many colored folks looking on.

The service opened with songs and praises and then brother Cook was asked to give out the Word. He had scarcely began when God sent a sign. A large ball of fire was seen at a distance up the river and it floated down the stream and broke. Sinners began to cry as though they were frightened and saints began to shout and praise God. The Lord wonderfully blessed in giving out the Word. The altar was full, some crying out to God for mercy and some lying under the power of God. The Lord wonderfully used a little girl with power and manifestation of the Spirit. Since that time eight or ten have received the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues.

We are still praying for God to send more laborers in Mississippi. The battle is on and the enemy is hard against us. We have failed to get any one to come here yet but we know God is with us and will hear our cries. We need a pastor here. I never saw a riper place for God's work, and hungry souls begging for Church of God ministers.

Please pray for an afflicted sister who can't walk. Pray for her to get healed, also to receive the Holy Ghost.

Anyone wanting to come here, write us. Our doors are always open.

Brothers wake up and let God use you and go where He wants you to go. It is good to stay around the saints but poor sinners are dying for the truth.

I would like to have the address of sister Bertha Smith.

Pray for husband and me. Your unworthy sister,
Mrs. G. T. Cook.

Perry, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greetings in Jesus Name:

I praise God for this wonderful salvation that reaches me. I am so glad I found this true way of holiness. I praise God because He saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. I praise Him for His healing power. I have been trusting Him for four years and find He will do just what He says. Praise God.

Dear brother E. B. Culpepper was with us Sunday and the Lord sure blessed him in giving out the Word. The saints were wonderfully blessed.

Pray for me.

A. M. Sapp.

Chokoloskee, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Followers of Christ:

I am praising God for this way of holiness, the Bible plan of salvation. I can never thank God enough for the wonderful way He saved me, indeed I have had an experience from heaven and I knew I was born again; because the things I once loved, I now hate and the things I once hated, I now love. Amen.

He then sanctified me and the desire of worldly pleasures was cleansed from my heart, praise God. Then He gave me the Holy Ghost with the same proof as they had on the day of pentecost, and beloved, I was praising and blessing God when the Comforter came in.

Well, bless the Lord, I feel good in my soul to think I have come out of Babylon and am in the Church of God. I was a member of the Catholic church and I loved their form, and I thought they were right because the priest taught that Christ was the founder of their church and that Peter was the first pope. But thank God, I have found that Christ did not form Catholicism, that Arius was the first one that wrote the creed of Roman Catholicism, three hundred and twenty-five years after the Church of God was founded.

My, my, it makes me feel sad when I think of so many dear soul that are deceived just as I one day was. My heart goes out for this lost world more and more every day, and it is the desire of my heart to step out on the great battle field and see souls brought to Christ. This has been my whole desire since the Holy Ghost came in three years ago but home affairs keep me here and I ask all who read this to pray that if it is His will for Him to open the way for me to go.

Brother Haynes and wife and sister Cotton closed a nine days' meeting here last night. The Lord blessed and two were baptized with the Holy Ghost, several reclaimed and others seeking. I feel that this meeting would have been a wonderful success, had the mosquitoes not been so bad. They had to close the meeting on that account; but the Lord blessed. The organ was played under the power while others were rejoicing. Glory to God, this is just a foretaste of heaven. A large ball of fire was seen by two of the members.

Please pray for the little band here.

I feel weak but I love the Church of God and its government because I know it is the Bible way. I intend to stand firm and try to get closer to God.

Pray for my household that they may come in.

Your sister in Christ,
Ida May Lopez.

Sale Creek, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I praise God for the Holy Ghost, and for His keeping power.

I know that God has a work for me to do and I feel so weak but I hear the Spirit calling, so pray for me that I may be submissive to Him. Oh, there are so many that don't know of this salvation I would be glad if I could be the one to deliver the last sermon and get to say "Yonder He comes now." What a great hour it will be to the faithful ones when Jesus comes.

Your sister waiting for Jesus,
Nancy Gentry.

Quitman, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Dear Readers:

I praise the Lord for the sweet Comforter that abides in my soul. I am glad because He has promised to be with us, even unto the end.

My husband does not believe in this way but I am praying that he will soon accept the Lord. We have five dear children and I do want them brought up in the right way. I am thirsting for more of God's love. Pray for me that I may grow stronger in His grace.

Your humble sister,
Mrs. G. L. Bryan.

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We have just closed a meeting of three weeks at this place. Eleven were reclaimed and one went down and confessed his sins. The meeting was conducted by brother Jerry E. Taylor and assisted by brother Ed. Goddard and brother Tom Akin and wife.

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Eternity, only, will tell the good that was done. I don't think I ever heard such preaching as was given out by brothers Gentry and Buckalew. Some of the people seemed to have hardened their hearts against the truth and refused to accept it I never saw as many opportunities given for people to get saved but still they failed to heed the calling. Yet several others heeded the call and were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost.

We had a wonderful day July 4th. We had services all day and dinner on the ground. Several saints were here from other places. We had preaching in the morning and in the afternoon we had a good old time testimonial meeting which every body seemed to enjoy.

We feel greatly blessed by brother Gentry and his workers being here.

Please pray for this band of people here that we may live low and humble and ever be in the center of the will of God.

Your sister under the blood,
Lovie Mosteller.

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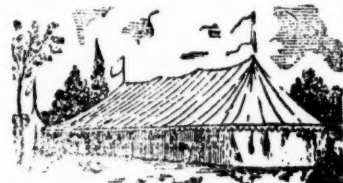
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